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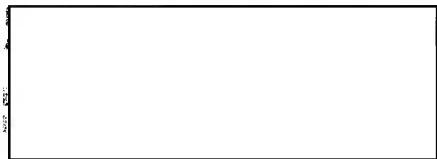
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From 7 to 10 February 1953, source learned that a VP unit was located in Object III on the Petersberg in Erfurt. The Petersberg is an ancient cloister dated from the Thirteenth Century which was later converted into a fort. The church of the installation is to be converted into a culture house. During the reported period, Fort Petersberg housed a school for VP officers and NCOs. Its commandant was Lieutenant Colonel Butter (fmu), whose adjutant was Major Hampke (fmu). The courses were attended by about 200 trainees whose number was continuously increased. The installation is said to have a capacity of 600 men. Soviet sedan  occupied by a Soviet officer was observed at the installation.

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Comment. The information refers to a supply school of the HVKVP which moved from Potsdam to Erfurt on 1 November 1952. A previous report that this school would eventually move to Dresden was proved unfounded. It was previously known that Lieutenant Colonel Butter (fmu) is the commandant of the school. Major Hampke (fmu) is believed to be identical with a Major Hampke (fmu) who, according to previous information is the chief tactical supply officer of the VP.

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